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Sir:

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Transmitted herewith are the following documents:

[X] Response to Election/Restriction Requirement

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement dated March 27, 2002, the Applicants elect Group 1, claims 1-23 and 45, with traverse. The traversal was made on the grounds that it is believed that a single search and examination covering all claims would not place undue burden on the Examiner.

It is believed that, at least, Groups II, III, and IV (claims 24-27, 28-34, and 42-44 respectively) could readily be searched and examined in conjunction with the claims of Group I without undue burden. It is respectfully requested that all of Groups I-IV be searched and examined together in this application.

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